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CHAPTER 2. Transportation Assistance By Other Agencies

2.1. Assistance by Other Agencies

NASA Center Transportation Officers and Traffic Managers may obtain general assistance directly from the General Services Administration Regional Office or, in exceptional cases, from the Military Traffic Management Command Regional Office having responsibility for the geographical area in which the NASA Center is located.

2.2. General Services Administration

The General Services Administration will, upon request, provide freight traffic management data and services to all civilian agencies. NASA Center Transportation Officers and Traffic Managers may obtain routine traffic management data and services directly from their Regional Office. Specific services may include the following:

- 2.2.1. Providing commercial carrier rates, routes, and charges.
- 2.2.2. Developing proper technical description of articles for shipment.
- 2.2.3. Providing general traffic management information, instructions, and training.
- 2.2.4. Investigating loss/damage and assisting in filing claims.
- 2.2.5. Conducting assistance visits and technical reviews.
- 2.2.6. Using the Centralized Household Goods Traffic Management Program.

2.3. Military Traffic Management Command

The Military Traffic Management Command supervises the performance of the Department of Defense's traffic management functions. They control all cargo moving via the Defense Logistics Management System. Specific services may include the following:

- 2.3.1. Providing information on military-type commodities such as equipment explosives, rocket fuels, and pressurants to include rates, routes, and changes. This information may be obtained from their Eastern Area or Western Area Headquarters.
- 2.3.2. Providing technical assistance when it is necessary to ship NASA cargo via Military Sealift Command resources through Military Traffic Management Command terminals.
- 2.3.3. Revising MILSTAMP'S that are applicable to NASA Centers effecting shipments to most overseas destinations by utilizing DoD air or water transportation resources.

2.4. Air Force Air Mobility Command

Upon request, the Air Force Air Mobility Command will provide aircraft for NASA special airlift requirements to

include Special Assignment Airlift Mission and special test loading requirements. Utilization of their services by NASA is restricted to those instances in which commercial capability is not available to transport bulky items or items of extreme sensitivity requiring a controlled environment or in order to meet a critical launch schedule. Only NASA Center Transportation Officers may order utilization of their capabilities. Centers will be advised of aircraft schedules involving Special Assignment Airlift Missions and any special test loading movements.

2.5. Military Sealift Command

Upon request, the Military Sealift Command will provide oceangoing vessels or cargo space for special missions. NASA Center Transportation Officers may order shipments, utilizing their resources.

2.6. Department of Transportation

The Department of Transportation publishes regulations that govern the transportation of hazardous materials in commerce. They approve exemptions in those cases in which full compliance with the regulations is not possible. This agency also establishes mandatory training requirements for persons involved with the preparation and transportation of these materials.

2.7. International Air Transport Association

The International Air Transport Association publishes regulations that govern the international transportation of hazardous materials and dangerous goods by air. These regulations may be used for domestic air transportation permitted by the Department of Transportation.

2.8. International Maritime Administration

The International Maritime Administration is responsible for promulgation of regulations that govern the international transportation of hazardous materials and dangerous goods by oceangoing vessel. These regulations may be used for inland water transportation as allowed by the Department of Transportation.

2.9. Departments of Commerce and State

The Departments of Commerce and State will provide information on export and import controls and requisite licensing requirements. Export administration within NASA will be in accordance with the Export Control Program manual published by the Office of External Relations.

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